

Amendments to the Drawings:

Please insert new Figures 5 and 6 that are attached hereto into the application. The content of these Figures was previously present in the text of the specification and is now being submitted as Figures for the application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-38 were pending in the application. New claims 39-76 have been added. Claims 1, 9, 11, 19, 21, and 29 were amended for consistency throughout the claims. Claims 1-76 are now pending in the application. Each of the new claims is directed to subject matter included in Group I of the Restriction requirement, mailed October 14, 2005. Group I was selected with traverse in Applicant's Response filed November 14, 2005.

Specification/Drawings

The specification has been amended to place the application in better condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments to the specification for the reasons set forth below in order to expedite prosecution.

The application has been amended to remove Tables 1 and 2 from the specification and enter the tables as Figures 5 and 6. The specification has been amended to reference the new Figures, and new paragraphs have been added to the "Brief description of the figures" section describing the new Figures.

The reaction scheme on page 12 of the application has been amended to remove the box that was around the reaction scheme on page 12 such that the scheme meets the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.58.

The specification has also been amended to add a description of Figure 4 and to correct a minor error in the description of Figure 3 in the "Brief description of the figures", as well as to correct references to Figures 3 and 4 in Example 15 of the application. These amendments are supported by the specification and figures (e.g., Example 15 in the specification and Figures 3 and 4), and are made to correct minor errors. Thus, no new matter has been added to the application.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request entry of the aforementioned amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

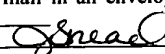
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